## PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: O85398

Masashi OTSUKI, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/518,634

Group Art Unit: 1795

Confirmation No.: 4949

Examiner: Laura S WEINER

Filed: December 20, 2004

For: SUPPORT SALT FOR CELL AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME, AND

CELL

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This response is being submitted with a Petition for Extension of Time, extending the time for responding to the March 28, 2008 Restriction and Election of Species Requirement to June 30, 2008 (June 28, 2008 being a Saturday). Thus, this response is timely filed.

This responds to the Restriction Requirement, dated March 28, 2008.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant elects Group I, Claims 1-2 and 7-26, for examination. This election is made without traverse.

This responds to the Election of Species Requirement, dated March 28, 2008. The Examiner has identified the application as containing claims directed to more than one distinct